# STATEMENT OF WORK Tree/Shrub Establishment (612) Vermont

These deliverables apply to this individual practice. For other planned practice deliverables refer to those specific Statements of Work.

#### **Deliverables**

## **DESIGN**

- 1. Design documents that demonstrate criteria in NRCS practice standard have been met and are compatible with planned and applied practices.
  - a. Practice purpose(s) as identified in the conservation plan
  - b. List of required permits to be obtained by the client
  - c. Practice standard criteria-related computations and analyses to develop plans and specifications including but not limited to:
    - i. Determination of adapted species of woody plants to be planted and/or naturally reestablished, method of planting, density of plants and location of plantings
    - ii. Protective measures for planted stock including supplemental water, cultural treatments to enhance survival and health, and use exclusion
    - iii. Additional provisions, as required, for improving or restoring natural diversity and increasing carbon storage in biomass and soils
- Written plans and specifications including, job sheets, sketches and/or drawings shall be provided to
  the client that adequately describes the requirements to install the practice and obtain necessary
  permits.
- 3. Documentation of needed operation and maintenance.
- 4. Certification that the design meets practice standard criteria and comply with applicable laws and regulations.
- 5. Design modifications during installation as required.

#### INSTALLATION

- 1. Pre-application conference with client.
- 2. Verification that client has obtained required permits.
- 3. Staking and layout according to plans and specifications including applicable layout notes.
- 4. Application guidance as needed.
- 5. Facilitate and implement required design modifications with client and original designer.
- 6. Advise client/NRCS on compliance issues with all federal, state, tribal, and local laws, regulations and NRCS policies during installation.
- 7. Certification that the application process and materials meet design and permit requirements.

## **CHECK OUT**

- 1. Records of application.
  - a. Extent of practice units applied
  - b. Actual plant materials used and protective measures
- Certification that the application meets NRCS standards and specifications and is in compliance with permits.
- 3. Progress reporting.

# **REFERENCES**

- NRCS Field Office Technical Guide (eFOTG), Section IV, Conservation Practice Standard Tree/Shrub Establishment, 612 <a href="http://efotg.nrcs.usda.gov/references/public/VT/TreeEst02.pdf">http://efotg.nrcs.usda.gov/references/public/VT/TreeEst02.pdf</a>
- NRCS National Forestry Handbook (NFH), Part 636.4 http://soils.usda.gov/technical/nfhandbook/

- NRCS National Environmental Compliance Handbook http://policy.nrcs.usda.gov/scripts/lpsiis.dll/H/H 190 610 Content.htm
- NRCS Cultural Resources Handbook http://policy.nrcs.usda.gov/scripts/lpsiis.dll/H/H 190 601 Content.htm